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PADUCAH, KENTUCKY, MONDAY, JANUARY 18, 1897.

TEN CENTS A WEEK

MURDERS AND SUICIDES.

The Usual Number of Fatal Crimes Reported.

THE TERRIBLE BUBONIC PLAGUE.

A Negro at Cloverport Who Does Not Want An Office.

BANK FAILURE AT LOUISVILLE.

Hidsey, Ky., Jan. 18.—George Curd, of Williamson today killed Albert Fees. The trouble arose over a meat bill. Fees was a butcher, and he and Curd were endeavoring to reach a settlement.

Jellie, Tenn., Jan. 18.—Ellis Huddleston, an old citizen, committed suicide last night by hanging himself with a trace chain. He is thought to have been demented.

A Fatal Horse Trade. Danville, Ky., Jan. 18.—Jim Bailey today shot and killed Chas. Stewart. The quarrel was over a horse trade. Bailey has been arrested.

The Terrible Plague.

Bondary, Jan. 18.—Thousands of deaths are occurring daily from the plague. The situation is hourly growing worse. Starvation is adding its terrible effects to the fatal scourge. Business is paralyzed and the city is almost depopulated.

The Certain Falls.

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 18.—The Bijou Theater Company of this city assigned today.

Bank Failure at Newport.

Newport, Ky., Jan. 18.—The First National Bank of this city closed its doors today. Its capital stock was \$200,000 and its deposits about \$450,000. It is thought that depositors will be paid in full.

YERKES HONORED.

Will Be a Member of McKinley's Reception Committee.

Danville, Ky., Jan. 18.—Hon. John Yerkes has been selected as Kentucky's member of McKinley's reception committee at the inauguration ceremonies. This is a great compliment to one of Kentucky's most popular men.

THE NEGRO WITHDRAWS.

Suddenly Learns That He Don't Want Office.

Cloverport, Ky., Jan. 18.—Fred Jones, the negro who has been an applicant for the postoffice here under the incoming administration, has suddenly withdrawn his application. His action has occasioned considerable surprise and comment, as it was admitted on all sides that he had his fight won. This action is very mysterious and many think that a secret deal has been made.

AN EXPLORED FAILURE.

The German National Bank, of Louisville, Closes Its Doors.

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 18.—The German National Bank closed its doors today by order of the Comptroller of the Currency. The failure creates no surprise here as it has been expected for some time. Its stock for a long time has been worthless. Sixty thousand dollars in cash are on hand, and its loans are about \$300,000. It is hard to get a correct statement of its condition. The failure was caused by bad loans and reckless management.

ABUSE OF PRIVILEGE.

Jim Holder Wasn't Trusty, But He Can't Be Trusted.

Jim Holder is a man who doesn't appreciate a privilege when it is extended him. He was in November fined \$100 and sentenced to sixty days in jail by the federal court for violation of internal revenue laws. His home is in Franklin, Ky., and a day or two ago he was under a trusty. Saturday, his partner, Bob Milligan, colored, also of Franklin, was released by taking the insolvent debtor's oath, but Holder had nearly thirty days longer to serve, and could not thus secure his liberty. Yesterday he disappeared from the jail and not turning up any more, a search was instituted for him. He came back last night with a good load aboard, and it was learned that he got out with Milligan and they concluded to celebrate together. Today he is in a cell instead of being a trusty.

GAS MEN.

Meeting of Stockholders This Afternoon.

A meeting of the stockholders of the Paducah Gas Company will be held this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock for the purpose of electing directors and officers for the ensuing year.

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TICKET PUNCHERS.

A Delegation in Paducah Today.

Illinois Central Plans of Interest to the Public.

Chief Conductor Isaac Wright, of Missouri division No. 89, O. R. C., Secretary and Treasurer C. S. Dorton, both of the Louisville and Nashville, Louisville, Dave Kinney, of the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe, and Conductors J. R. O'Brien, W. C. Henton, N. F. Bousale, H. C. McKinney and W. H. Dyer, of the Illinois Central, arrived at 2 o'clock this morning from Louisville. They came in pursuance of a call from the O. R. C. to hold a meeting for the purpose of revising the local division, which has for some time past been deteriorating. They held a meeting at the Campbell building this forenoon, but at noon adjourned for dinner without having done anything. This afternoon they met again to organize.

Supt. Kemp, of the Memphis division, and Supt. Harahan, of the Louisville division, have notified all train men that somewhere on this division a great deal of vandalism has been practiced by cutting Pullman Palace cars with knives. The conductors have been badly defaced, and so far the perpetrators have conducted their menaces in such a mysterious manner that discovery has been impossible. The respective superintendents are of the opinion that the vandalism is prompted by malice, and instructed all train men to keep a close lookout while at stations.

Chief Civil Engineer, C. H. Bower, of the Illinois Central, spent yesterday in the city, and went up the road today.

Traveling Freight Agent R. C. Watkins went up to Evansville this morning.

SHORT AND SWEET.

Judge Sanders' Court Sits Over Today.

Most of the Cases Dismissed. The Time Assessed.

Judge Sanders' court was soon over this morning.

Habery Anderson was arraigned on a charge of drawing a double-barreled shot gun on Lou Farrar. He pleaded guilty and was fined \$3 and costs.

The case against Thomas Miller for breaking into Warren's slaughter house, was dismissed.

The case against M. H. Fryer, colored, charged with cutting back McKee's, was dismissed. Both are boys, and McKee had attacked Fryer's sister when he rushed to her rescue.

The case against Ella Brown, charged with robbery, was filed away with leave to re-arrest.

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Jeese Greif and Millie Wolf deed to Mrs. Sarah Birchett, for \$250, a parcel of ground on South Fourth.

Mr. B. H. Scott and wife deed to the Illinois Central railroad, for \$133.33 1/3, a tract of land at the intersection of the railroad and Clark's river. The company will put in a siding there.

Y. M. I. Notice.

All members of Jansen Council No. 282 are requested to attend an open session of the Council tonight at Cecilia Hall. Important business.

M. F. Koutz, Secy.

LARGE SIZED SENSATION.

Supt. Letcher and Warden Happy May Be Removed.

INSPECTOR LESTER RECOMMENDS IT.

The Causes Alleged Are Incompetency and Inactivity and Lack of Executive Ability.

THE REPORTS TO BE FILED SOON.

Frankfort, Jan. 18.—Mr. C. W. Lester, the state Inspector and Examiner, is about to create a sensation in Kentucky Republican politics. The inspector has begun the preparation of his reports to the governor on the condition of the recently investigated affairs of the Hopkinsville Asylum for the Insane and the Edgelyville branch penitentiary.

Mr. Lester admits that he has taken 300 pages of type written testimony at Hopkinsville and more than 500 pages at Edgelyville. What all this means or will mean is positively learned from another source. The inspector has already demonstrated the fact that he is a courageous officer without fear or favor for those whom his duty compels him to investigate. He has some heroic remedies to suggest to the Governor and through him to the prison commissioners.

Mr. Lester is going to recommend the displacement of Superintendent Ben Letcher, of the Hopkinsville Asylum, and of Warden Happy, of the Edgelyville prison.

He is also going to recommend the appointment and election in their stead of a new Superintendent and a new Warden. In doing this he is not going to reflect on the personal or official integrity of either of these gentlemen, but will ascribe the tangible and unsatisfactory condition of things at the two institutions to lack of competency, inactivity and lack of executive ability on the part of the Superintendent and the Warden.

Rumor has it that a third institution, closer to Frankfort and of a different character, may come in for the same sort of recommendation insofar as its head is concerned.

WRIT OF LUNACY.

Two Young Ladies to Be Tried Tomorrow.

Information of lunacy was filed with County Attorney Johnson Houser this forenoon against Misses Bettie and Ella Torian, daughters of Mr. Wm. Torian, who reside in the city near the old Boyd homestead, a short distance off West Broadway.

It is understood that the young ladies have been in this condition for several years. The case was set for 2 o'clock this afternoon.

The case against the Misses Torian was this afternoon postponed until tomorrow at 9 o'clock.

It is understood that they have been victims of epilepsy for eight or ten years, and it is desired by the family to place them where they can get the best treatment possible.

GRIFFITH AS RICHARD III.

At Morton's Tomorrow Night.

The young tragedian, Mr. John Griffith and his excellent company, including Miss Elizabeth Messeratt, well known in this city, having for many weeks been in the city, will appear in "Richard III." on the stage of our theater tomorrow night. The Courier-Journal, of Louisville, of recent date speaks as follows of their performance in that city.

Mr. Griffith is young, and the task of separating that which is to present day cars positively offensive from what is necessary and not obviously unpleasant in the tradition is a delicate and laborious one. It should rather be set to his credit that his work shows as little as it does of the really corrupting influences. He is a good actor, and he has not begun to rust until the fifth. He might have mangled the rhythm and the sense, as many of the "affection" have been wont to do; as it was, his reading was remarkable for intelligence and good balance. It is eminently to his credit that close and jealous attention could only discover two false emphases in all his lines, and those in a scene in which some blithely in the stage machinery was probably responsible for his passing inadvertence. His Richard, as a whole, may be called Irvingesque. His reading is excellent and with the ripening that years will bring his characterization will be a wholly satisfactory characterization on the traditional lines.

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NEGROLOGICAL RECORD.

Two Aged Citizens Pass to the Great Beyond.

Young Ex-Paducahan Dies in Texarkana, Ark., of Pneumonia.

Mrs. Susan Ward, aged 75, died yesterday at her residence, 203 Tennessee street, of pneumonia, after a brief illness. She leaves a family. The funeral took place at 2 o'clock this afternoon; interred at Oak Grove.

Mr. Lafayette Schroeder, aged 70, died of paralysis yesterday at his home on South Fourth street near Norton. He leaves a wife. The funeral will take place at 10 o'clock tomorrow, interment at Oak Grove.

A child of Wm. Dismore, of near Stiles, died yesterday.

The remains of J. W. Jennings were brought to the city and buried yesterday at St. Johns. The deceased was a young fireman on the Cotton Belt road, and died a day or two ago of pneumonia at Texarkana, Ark., after a brief illness. He formerly resided here and has a mother and several sisters here now.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Gus Friant took place yesterday.

A six-months-old child of Walter Gordon, near Coy, Marshall county, died last night of whooping cough.

PADUCAH PYTHIANS.

Will Dedicate Their Handsome New Castle Tonight.

Paducah lodge No. 26 will be at home to all members of the order this evening at their new castle hall, third floor of the Bernhardt block, 305 Broadway. They have now perhaps the most convenient and among the handsomest secret society quarters in Paducah. The hall proper is 21 by 51 feet, neatly papered and carpeted, and furnished in oak and hard maple. The altar and officers' stations are the product of home manufacturers, made in the best manner, and of design consistent with the symbolism of the fraternity. Connected with the lodge room and to one side of the anteroom, so that degree work may be done with the maximum of ease and effect, is the property room, and immediately beyond these two, comprising the entire front breadth of the building, with a Broadway view, is the reception room, commodious and beautiful. It has connection with the stairway independent of any other apartment, and is intended to serve as a library as well. This latter idea is one of the strongest marks of the new ambition which thoroughly permeates the membership, and they anticipate no such thing as failure. The location of the building for this purpose, as for all other uses they have for it, is perfect, and altogether, those who may take opportunity at any time to look through the premises will hold Paducah's Pythians blameless in the pride they feel.

There have been two regular meetings of the lodge postponed on account of the unavoidable delay in the completion of the rooms, and members should not forget that installation of the officers-elect will constitute a part of the evening's business and pleasure.

IN THE DARK.

Marshal Collins Light Busted.

Marshal James Collins was building over with fire this morning as he sent his way towards town.

Not long since he had been in "stagnant alley," the middle of the South side, an electric light, which completely illuminated the narrow and peculiar looking alley. Last night some miscreant saw the light. He hunted him up a rock, and a hard one, and smashed it into the light. The alley is now in darkness, and the Marshal says if he finds out who did it he will prosecute him to the full extent of the law.

TWO HEARTS.

Peculiar Freak of Nature at Calvert City.

A most remarkable infant was born at Calvert City a few days since. It was dead, and had two hearts, both, together with the liver, growing on the outside of the child's body.

Otherwise than the above, the infant was perfectly formed, and the doctors have it in alcohol and express themselves as being of the opinion that it is one of the most remarkable human freaks ever seen.

READY FOR BUSINESS.

I have now received my new stock of goods, and am ready for business. Those who did not receive souvenirs Saturday on account of the inclement weather may call any time this afternoon or tonight and be supplied.

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May oats opened at 18 1/2 and closed at 18 1/4-18 1/2. May pork opened at \$8.10 and closed at \$8.07.

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March cotton opened at \$6.97, and closed at \$6.98-99. May cotton opened at \$7.08 and closed at \$7.11-12.

Clearances today of wheat and flour, 180,000 bushels. The visible supply of wheat for the United States has decreased 1,413,000 bushels; of corn, increased 296,000 bushels, and of oats, decreased 65,000 bushels.

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SELF MADE MEN.

An editorial under the above caption appears in a recent edition of the "Inter Ocean" which is large food for thought for our young men. It is said there are hundreds and thousands of self-made men in the United States who have achieved prominence and whose achievements have been a matter of pride to themselves and to the people at large. These men do not talk much of their earlier life and struggles, but they are not ashamed of the fact that in the beginning they were poor boys, and that they made their way in life by their own efforts, without the influence of wealthy or powerful friends. In one case a boy who was brought to this country from Bavaria when only 4 years old secured an education by the hardest work, located in Chicago, became one of the city's leading lawyers, was elected to the bench, and finally to the highest office in the gift of the people of the State, and is now the leader of one of the great political parties in Illinois.

In another case a boy who was brought from England when he was five years old, whose parents located in Illinois, and who began the struggle in life at the age of ten years as a water boy in a stone quarry at Le-mont, worked his way through the grades of tool carrier, canal driver, clerk and superintendent, until he is now president of the stone company that owns the stone quarries in which he began his struggle as a water carrier. When this boy was sixteen years old there occurred an incident, or accident that had a great influence in shaping his career. His foot was torn off through the carelessness of someone in charge, and after he had been taken to the hospital he was visited by Mr. Edwin Walker, owner of the quarries, who explained to him that the company would be responsible for damages, and that a fair compensation would be allowed for the injury to him. Incidentally he mentioned that he would take the boy and give him an education, and waive the question of damages. The young cripple, looking out from the hospital bed to the future before him, chose the offer of an education, and before he was 19 years old he held a responsible position in the company, and, starting with a thorough business education, he worked his way to the control of one of the largest industrial interests in the state. He showed himself so much a man of affairs that he was persuaded to enter the city council, and soon became leader of the Republican or respectable element in the council. He is now candidate for United States Senator, and one of the accusations against him is that he is a self-made man.

The mere fact that Martin B. Madden did not have the advantage of a college education, that he did not enter the law, or engage in newspaper or literary work should not bar him from political preferment. There are examples without number in which self-made men have proved in business and politics and statecraft the most useful and most efficient builders for good. The people did not turn away from Lincoln because of his early life, nor from Garfield because he was a canal driver in his younger days, nor from Ben Wade, nor Logan, nor Jackson, because of the circumstances that shaped their character. They did not turn against Joe Fifer because he was a poor boy and carried a rifle in the war, and, in fact, they have been very discriminating in the matter of self-made men who fought their way to the front as the representatives of settled principles and policies.

Certainly a man who began the struggle of life poor and succeeded in business or in the professions, in spite of poverty and untoward circumstances, should not receive less consideration than those more fortunately situated in the beginning. It requires no ordinary talent to manage a great business and to look after the interests of thousands of men; possibly it requires a business talent to look after such a business as to succeed in the law, and possibly the experience gained in the management of great properties is as potent in developing a man of affairs as experience in the professions.

SIGNS OF THE TIMES.

Sarcastic allusions to "McKisley prosperity" continue to be favorite editorial space-fillers in silver papers. Although these same papers claimed prior to the election that "confidence" had nothing to do with the situation, yet now they are complaining that the resumption of good times is not taking place fast enough, when there is not a thing yet to make good times, except a restoration of confidence as the result of the late election.

Times are, however, improving. More people in the aggregate are at work than before the election. The conditions are improving and the outlook is better. R. G. Dun & Co.'s report of last Saturday, the 16th, says:

"The greatest growth and prosperity the country has ever seen came suddenly in 1879, after several months of disappointment because specie resumption had not yet brought the benefits expected. It is not the largest and most powerful vessel that can be started most quickly, and it takes time for new confidence to reach, through easier money markets, larger business, resuming mills, expanding employment, and larger distribution, to the results which make such greater and lasting gain possible. Such gradual and steady improvement has been in progress for more than two months."

Nothing is truer than the above statement. Business resumes by degrees. The starting of one factory calls for the starting of some other one. The improvement of one branch of trade stimulates another.

The report of Saturday further says:

"The output of pig iron has gained 12.3 per cent in December and 41.6 per cent, since October 1. The output of coke has increased 88.7 per cent, since October 1. Sales of wool have again become large, though not yet fully reported. Money markets feel a steady increase in demand for commercial and manufacturing loans. Additional works have gone into operation each week in January, and the working force is larger than at any other time for six months. Best of all, there is no little crazy excitement, that the gain may be ascribed to the deliberate judgment of the ablest and most prudent men in business. It is not a time of high prices. Many who are anxious to get early hold on the market are making for the moment lower prices than they could afford to maintain. Some have secured orders enough for months to come and begin to be less keen in competition."

When spring opens the outburst of new business will be such as to put to shame those persons who spend all their time now counting up bank and business failures, who rejoice at every financial casualty and see in every mercantile wreck a proof of their statements that the hope of this country is in Bryanism and Albigeldism.

TENNESSEE POLITICS.

The state of Tennessee may be a trifle slow in a few things, but when it comes to handling a contested election case the old Volunteer State is so far ahead that she is in a class all by herself. Two years ago the Democratic leaders made a slight mistake in counting, and the Republicans having carried the state on the face of the returns, it became necessary to count Turney in as governor by a resort to fraud. Of course this was distasteful to the high toned gentlemen who rule Democracy in Tennessee, but the good sense and honor of the state was saved from the taint of having had a Republican governor.

Notwithstanding that little objection in practical politics the Republicans have had the temerity to prepare for another contest, believing that as usual the Democratic victory was fraudulent. But the Democratic majority of the Tennessee Legislature don't propose to be worried even with the formalities of a contest this year; so the Legislature made a law as follows: That the Republican contestant should execute bond for \$25,000, which amount should be forfeited to the state should this same Democratic majority conclude that the contest was made without sufficient grounds, thus putting it in the power of the Democrats not only to defeat the Republicans in the contest, but also to fine Tillman, the Republican candidate, \$25,000 for his folly. This is a new move, but it is a most powerful one. The Republicans of Tennessee will make no contest.

T. C. PLATT resigned from the United States Senate sixteen years ago, and it was thought then that he had disappeared forever as a political factor. From that day to this he has been abused by the press. For sixteen years he has devoted his

business or in the professions, in spite of poverty and untoward circumstances, should not receive less consideration than those more fortunately situated in the beginning. It requires no ordinary talent to manage a great business and to look after the interests of thousands of men; possibly it requires a business talent to look after such a business as to succeed in the law, and possibly the experience gained in the management of great properties is as potent in developing a man of affairs as experience in the professions.

While the Butchers are justified in complaining about the old rickety market house we do not think it a wise move to have any competition in regard to markets. Every one readily recognizes that the city ought to do away with the old structure and build a new brick house that would be comfortable, as the receipts from stall rent would pay well. The people are benefitted by all receipts from every source and should be willing to furnish tenable quarters. No doubt the movement is gotten up to force the city to do something, and they should do it as the present place is a disgrace.

This Republican caucus of the New York legislature has nominated Thos. C. Platt for United States senator by a vote of 147 to 7 for Joseph H. Choate, the man who had the temerity to oppose the great boss. Mr. Platt's enemies step from under.

The Public Library.

Every town ought to have a public library containing as many volumes as the town has inhabitants. Such an institution becomes the center of the intellectual life of a people and affects the manners and morals of the entire community.

Small Paducah embrace the opportunity now offered her for the enjoyment of the benefits and pleasures of such an institution.

Its usefulness is not limited to the few students or scholars of a town; it extends to every class of people in the community. A well selected public library furnishes entertainment to the leisure class, and instruction and stimulation to the working and thinking people.

Mechanics who are trying to advance themselves in the industrial arts, architects, horticulturists, clergymen, physicians, lawyers, newspaper men, teachers, students of music, of any of the arts, those interested in any of the questions of the day—finance, labor, temperance, woman suffrage, education, the pupils in our Grammar and High schools, may find all in such a library the particular kind of reading adapted to their needs, the great encyclopedias, dictionaries, gazetteers, concordances, books of reference, treatises on whatever subjects may interest them.

The workers in our mills and factories and our railroad shops, whose educational advantages have been inadequate to their mental needs, here find opportunity to supplement those advantages, to supply their needs. Our girls and boys, who, by the force of circumstances, have been compelled to leave school with their work there unfinished, and whose place among the wage-earners of the city, will find in the public library the opportunity to add to their store of information in the special line of work they may have chosen, and to acquire that general culture they may crave. Those in our community to whom life has not accorded the privileges and safe guards of home, need not feel lonely and homeless, and be subjected to the thousand and one temptations to evil spread before them when the hospitable doors of a public library stand open, offering "the society the spiritual presence of the best and greater of our race."

To the young, especially, the public library will be of incalculable benefit. By all means let us encourage this enterprise with our moral and financial support. Let us not lose sight of our city's mental and moral progress in our zeal for her material advancement. Let us have the public library, the "People's College."

An Immortal Affair.

From the Kansas City Journal.
Turkey's annual deficit is one million pounds. But the Sultan doesn't mind that sort of thing any more than President Cleveland.

David is Maimed.

From the Boston Herald.
David B. Hill is, presumably, still a Democrat; but he is a bit saying so much about it at present as was his wont in days of yore.

They are Coming.

From the Chicago Inter-Ocean.
Spokane, Walla Walla, Seattle, and Portland p. pers all speak of the improved changes. When people get ready for "prosperity" it generally comes. "The Northwest" has felt grievously the past four years of depression and is ready to heartily welcome the prospective change.

Cheering the Cubans.

From the Chicago Inter-Ocean.
Yes, the struggling Cuban patriots have hosts of friends. They seem to be thick all over the globe. And how they do talk! It must cheer up old Gomez, amazingly! It is too bad that Spain's strongest ally in the subjugation of Cuba is freedom-loving America.

Our New Tariff Law.

From the Kansas City Journal.
"Are we not about to pass a tariff law making it a crime to trade with foreigners?" asks a free trade organ. No indeed. We are going to have a tariff law making it possible to trade with our own people; by giving them employment and wages to buy with. That's all, worried contemporary.

THE POPULAR BLOUSE.

It Holds Undisputed sway During This Summer Weather.

All the feminine world seems to be appearing in blouses during the hot weather, and although manufacturers and designers had anticipated the demand for this exceptionally useful and elegant article of attire, they have not worked again and produced some striking novelties with a departure from the regulation article.

The new well-known blouse of grass cloth over a fitted silk bodice. The fitted bodice is in all the new art tints and appears to advantage in the close-knit grass cloth forms. The close-knit grass cloth forms the entire front and back of the blouse. The sleeves are of the full top class in grass cloth arranged over a plain coat sleeve of the silk, the top pullings being exceptionally well arranged. At the wrists the sleeves are cut in vandykes, revealing an under layer of close-knit grass cloth edged with Valenciennes. The front hem of the blouse is also ornamented with a double-knit frill of grass cloth, also edged with Valenciennes. The main collar is high and of silk, over which is arranged the grass cloth in elaborate folds; at the top is an outstanding frill edged with lace. Another novelty introduced in this model is a frill reaching from the throat down the shoulder line and terminating at the top of the sleeves. The frills face to the front of the blouse. The belt is of grass cloth. Another grass cloth model is chic, the cloth forming a rouse over a very bright pink pongee. The fronts and back of the grass cloth blouse represent four inches about three inches deep, each frill being headed with a feather stitch line. The sleeves are of the class described in the preceding model, but at the wrist up to the elbow are ornamented with a series of silk and grass cloth. The blouse is arranged with the character of the rouse. The blouse of grass cloth turns over a folded silk collar and is relieved from the immediate front, while the pongee collar is ornamented on either side the fastening by a row of six pearl buttons. The pink pongee blouse is very full and elegant in style, with 12 tiny pearl buttons forming an ornament in conjunction with the puff of pongee. An elongated pearl brooch fastens the blouse midway between the throat and the empire belt. Yet another novelty is seen in an arrangement of epaulettes of pongee beneath the full top of grass cloth. A third remarkable effect is a grass lawn known as striped silk grass lawn. The regulation lawn is intersected with stripes of white silk about a quarter of an inch wide and two thread-like stripes of gold. The fabric is very taking. With this fabric is introduced folded frills of white chiffon, forming a tout ensemble rarely seen. The front of the blouse is full, the hem being edged on either side by the chiffon frills. Three other chiffon frills appear on either side of the center, the whole frontage being trimmed with chiffon. The chiffon frills are about 1 1/2 inches in width. The collar proper is of white lawn with an over collar set on small wings, these being of the grass lawn edged with chiffon frills. Still, notwithstanding the charm of the blouse the sleeves are the noted feature of taste and artistic style. The main sleeve is cut short, and at the top is ornamented with a huge bow and end. The bow is formed of a large square of the grass lawn folded up and left open on the side that faces the front where it is edged with the chiffon frill. In arrangement this is very difficult to describe accurately, but is, in fact, an exceptionally beautiful thing. The back from this bow is an elongated wing of grass lawn tapering to a point where it reaches the waist line. The stiff lawn falls over the coat sleeve to the elbow, and the innovation to super-sele regulation puff sleeves is the most artistic and novel that can be imagined. Frills of chiffon carry out the character of the blouse at the wrists.—St. Louis Republic.

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